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District-wide mock drill held to check COVID preparedness

- **Exercise takes stock of ICU beds, oxygenated beds, oxygen generation, supply units**
- **No need for panic but precautions, safety measures mandatory: District Health Officer**

Mysuru, Apr. 10 (RK&BCT)- Amid rising COVID-19 cases, a nationwide mock drill to take stock of hospital preparedness was held this morning where both public and private facilities were assessed for their readiness to combat the pandemic in case there is an outbreak like in 2020 and 2021.

As on today, Mysuru has 43 COVID-positive cases and three patients who have co-morbidities have been admitted to the K.R. Hospital. According to District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. K.H. Prasad, there is no need for panic as the administration is geared up for any outbreak and has the necessary infrastructure to handle it. Even if there are more cases, existing infrastructure can be scaled up according to the requirements, he added.

Dr. T. Amarnath** (extreme left), **District Surgeon, led the COVID mock drill at the District Hospital on KRS Road in Mysuru this morning.

In a review meeting held on Apr. 7, Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya had urged State Health Ministers and Secretaries to visit hospitals and oversee the mock drills. He had also advised them to review preparedness with District Administrations and Health Officials.

He had said that irrespective of the new variants, the five-fold strategy of 'Test-Track-Treat-Vaccinate and adherence to COVID-Appropriate Behaviour' remains the tested strategy for the pandemic management.

As part of the nation-wide mock drill, such exercises were conducted in Mysuru also where the infrastructure, oxygen generation and supply plants, ICU beds, ventilator beds, oxygenated beds and normal beds in all the Government Hospitals were taken into account and preparedness was assessed.

Primarily, all the available facilities at the Govt. Hospitals including K.R. Hospital, District Hospital, Cheluvamba Hospital, PKTB Sanatorium, Trauma Care Centre, ESI Hospital, Princess Krishnajammanni Super Speciality Hospital and Seth Mohandas Tulsidas Maternity Hospital were listed and reviewed.

RT-PCR tests only for symptomatic people

Those coming to the District Hospital, Taluk Hospitals and the K.R. Hospital with COVID symptoms are being subjected to RT-PCR tests. "However, we are not testing all. Based on the directives from Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, mock drills have been conducted today at the District Hospital, K.R. Hospital and the Nanjangud Taluk Hospital," DHO Dr. Prasad said.

(See COVID on page 6)

Over 5,000 young voters to be included in electoral rolls

Voter ID cards get a sleeker, colourful makeover

A staff at Taluk Office displaying the colour voter ID cards.

Tomorrow last date to enrol

Mysuru, Apr. 10 (RK&DM)- The Election Commission of India (ECI) has extended the cut-off date for completion of 18 years from Jan. 1, 2023, to Apr. 1, 2023, for the first time aimed at increasing the participation of the larger population in the electoral/voting process.

As a result, over 5,000 young voters in the Mysuru district who attain 18 years on or before the new cut-off date (Apr. 1, 2023) will be included in the electoral rolls for the May 10 Assembly polls. As tomorrow (Apr. 11) is the last date for eligible young voters to submit the formatted online application form (Form-6), the number of applications at the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) office is increasing by the day as the deadline approaches.

(See YOUNG VOTERS on page 6)

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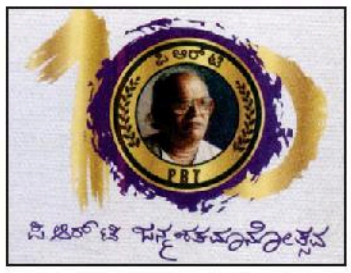
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 10th April 2023

P.R. Thippeswamy Kala Sambhrama at Davanagere

Artist Ashok V. Bandare and folk artiste Radhabai Maruthi Madara to be conferred with 'PRT Kala Prashasthi'



Ashok *Radhabai*

Mysuru, Apr. 10 (PM&SSM) - P.R. Thippeswamy Pratishtana, Department of Kannada and Culture and University College of Visual Arts, Davanagere, have jointly organised 'P.R. Thippeswamy Kala Sambhrama-2023' at University College of Visual Arts in Davanagere on Apr. 18 at 10.30 am marking the birth centenary of P.R. Thippeswamy.

Addressing a press meet at Patarakartara Bhavan here on Saturday, Pratishtana President Rajashekar Kadamba said that 'PRT Kala Prashasthi' for Artist from Bengaluru Ashok V. Bandare and folk artiste (Chowdike gayana) from Belagavi's Athani Radhabai Maruthi Madara will also be conferred at 4.30 pm on the same day.

Kala Sambhrama, which is being organised from 2014 at various districts across the State will feature painting expo, competitions and seminars. This time, 50 art works of P.R. Thippeswamy will be kept on display in the digitalised form.

Pratishtana Secretary K.C. Mahadeva Shetty, Directors Dr. Mylahalli Revanna and H.R. Chandrashekharaiah were present at the press meet.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Conscience is the voice of one's heart that always speaks the truth. Therefore, when you reject the truth, you are rejecting your own being. What motivates us to do so? It is mostly stubbornness, prejudice and a constant need to appear correct, even when wrong. The greatest error we can make is to ignore our conscience. This is equivalent to being a witness to one's criminality.

God created conscience and as such, it is unchanging. As a result, we must learn to regard it as a master key. If we can find and use it wisely, all doors hitherto closed to friendship and cooperation will open to mutual understanding and happy, social living.

Man is born with two different and frequently antagonistic faculties: ego and conscience. The ego remains dormant under normal conditions, but when provoked, the egoistic disposition, which is rebellious, can drive us into all manner of horrors. It is said that when one's ego is touched, it evolves into superego and the outcome is a collapse. But the conscience-ruled portion of one's character is the polar opposite, due to its inherited function of discriminating between right and wrong. An alive conscience finds joy in doing what is right and shame in doing what is wrong.

Readiness to act stems from a sense of necessity: the more intense this sense, the greater the willingness to act.

This distinction might also be attributed to the fact that command alone cannot motivate one to behave. If a directive is to be obeyed, it must appeal to the conscience of the people to whom it is addressed. But, if that conscience is absent or inactive, there is little else to which a command can be directed.

— Stuti Malhotra in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

32 pull-ups from helicopter in 1 min

Yerevan: An Armenian athlete broke a Guinness World Record when he clung to the skids of a helicopter and performed 32 pull-ups in 1 minute.

Hamazasp Hloyan took on the record for most pull-ups from a helicopter in 1 minute in Yerevan. Hloyan, who trained for the record attempt with fellow Armenian Guinness World Record holder Roman Sahradyan, completed 32 pull-ups in 1 minute to take the title.

The previous record, 25, was set by Belgian athlete Stan Bruininck in 2022. Bruininck bested Sahradyan's total of 23.

Japan's Valley of Blue Flowers

Tokyo: Most people instinctively think of cherry blossoms while discussing spring in Japan. Although the beautiful flowers are a well-known occurrence, there is one location close to Tokyo that has similarly stunning springtime views. A video of a picturesque valley of blue flowers has gone viral on social media and the users are simply stunned to see the beauty of the place. In the video, a hilly region is covered in small blue flowers. Visitors can be seen walking through the many blue flowers when the camera pans to see them.

The plant was identified as nemophila or baby blue eyes. The video is from Hitachi Seaside Park in Tokyo which is home to some of the most expansive flower fields. The park contains a sizable garden full of flowers that change with the seasons, including ice roses in the winter and tulips, poppies and roses.

The park also has a ferris wheel that is 100 feet above sea level and offers sweeping views of the blue skies, blue flowers and blue ocean.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Simple way to avoid iron deficiency anemia is to eat food rich in iron like green leafy vegetables, broccoli, fruits, whole grains and red meat.

By Dr. Giripunja M. - Consultant - Haematology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

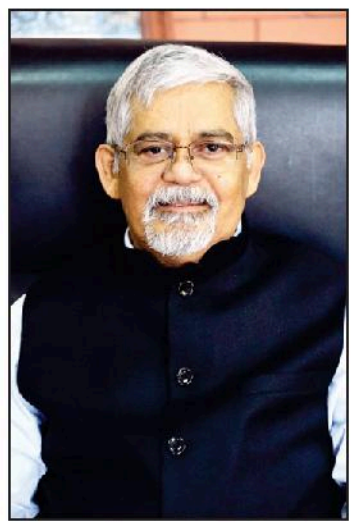
Elected as President of Indian Social Science Academy

Mysuru, Apr. 10- Prof. Muzaffar Assadi, former acting Vice-Chancellor and currently Dean of the Faculty of Arts and senior-most Professor at the University of Mysore, was elected unopposed as the President-Elect of the Indian Social Science Academy for the year 2024-2025. He was formerly its Vice-President.

Indian Social Science Academy (ISSA) was founded in 1974 with the goal of evaluating, integrating and disseminating scientific knowledge about man, society and nature in relation to India's specific circumstances and fostering harmony between social sciences, natural sciences and technology. ISSA is the only institution in the world that defines science as social and encompasses all fields of natural, social and behavioural sciences.

ISSA organises the Indian Social Science Congress (ISSC) every year with the goal of discovering, developing and disseminating science of Nature. The UGC, DST, ICSSR, ICHR, ICPR, INSA, ISRO, CSIR and ICMR are supporting ISSA.

Prof. V.K.R.V. Rao, one of the greatest economists in India and founder of the Delhi School of Economics, Institute of Economic Growth, and Institute of Social and Economic Change in Bengaluru, is among its former Presidents.



Prof. Muzaffar Assadi

A Professor in the Department of Studies in Political Science, Prof. Assadi is also the Chairperson of the Department of Studies in Public Administration, University of Mysore and in-charge Chairperson, Department of English.

Prof. Assadi is a native of Shirva, Udupi Taluk, and a former student of St. Mary's Institutions and Hindu Higher Elementary School in Shirva. He graduated from Mangalore University, JNU, New Delhi and University of Chicago.

REALLY...?

- ***Earth's atmosphere is made of gases: 'The mixture of gases, what we often refer to as 'air', are nitrogen, oxygen, argon and carbon dioxide. Without them, we couldn't live.***
- ***Earth is 4.543 billion years old. By comparison, humans have only been around 3,00,000 years ago.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Tom was going on a month's tour and instructed his wife about handling and keeping track of the post that would be delivered while he was away. *"Just make a note when the letter is received."* ***When he returned, he found a sizeable pile on his table. Every envelope bore the legend in his wife's hand***
"Just received!"

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 81.91
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 101.63
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.30
1 Euro	= Rs. 89.28

VOICE OF THE READER

Incomplete road works causing hardship to citizens

Sir,

I would like to draw the attention of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) authorities and MLA S.A. Ramdas towards the bad condition of the road that leads to Law Courts from Ballal Circle.

This road, called as "Narasaraja Road," passing in front of Shiva temple, is in a very pathetic condition since the last 4 years with uneven surfaces and pits. The footpaths are also completely damaged.

Following repeated complaints, we were told that funds were sanctioned to undertake road repair and relaying works. But so far only the drainage work has been partially completed. The status of the new road is far from over.

During the last 4 months the road and footpaths on either side have been dug up, filled with gravel and left as it is. This incomplete work has been causing extreme inconvenience for motorists and pedestrians.

This is an important road as it links Gita road, Deve Parthiva road and Krishnamurthypuram among others. Now with poll code in force, all work has come to a grinding halt.

On being elected as Mayor, Shivakumar had promised to complete all road works by Nov. 24, 2022 but nothing much has happened in these areas. Don't the tax-paying citizens need good, motorable roads?

—Shamala Padmanabhan
Mysuru 6.4.2023

Dr. CPK feted on his 85th birthday

Mysuru, Apr. 10 (MTY&DM)- Observing that litterateur Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar (CPK) has sowed, spread, breathed and enlivened knowledge, noted writer Prof. Aravind Malagatti said that Dr. CPK maintained a fine balance in all his works, articles and other writings.

He was speaking at the 85th birthday celebration of veteran writer Dr. CPK organised by Yashaswini Mahila Jagruti Parishat at the Institution of Engineers on JLB Road here on Saturday.

Noting that Mysuru is famous not just for Dasara Elephants but also for its Literature and Litterateurs, Prof. Malagatti said that Mysuru has Elephants of Knowledge and Dr. CPK is a tall leader of the herd of such Elephants.

Pointing out that Dr. CPK has more than 300 works to his credit, he said that CPK maintained a fine balance between appreciation and criticism in his works.

Noting that CPK is also very famous for his Chutukus (Limericks), he said that most of them highlighted the shortcomings or fault lines in society in a humorous manner.

Dr. CPK, who is known as 'Chutuku Ratna', must be credited for giving a sort of seriousness to Kannada Limericks.

Dr. CPK was felicitated by the Parishat on the occasion of his 85th birthday.

Ursu Mandali President HMT Lingaraje Urs presided.

Centre of Excellence for Studies in Classical Kannada Planning Director Dr. Neelagiri Talwar, Chutuku Sahitya Parishat Founder Dr. M.G.R. Urs, MCCI President K.B. Lingaraju, Kannada Sahitya Parishat District President Maddikere Gopal, Chutuku Sahitya Parishat District President Ratna Halappa Gowda, Yashaswini Mahila Jagruti Parishat President Mamata Sridhar, office-bearers S.V. Pavitra, Suma Urs and others were present.

VVCE students excel in Radio Controlled aircraft design competition

Mysuru, Apr. 10 (KS) - A team of five final year mechanical engineering students from city's Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE) have excelled in the SAE International Aero-design East 2023, an international-level Radio Controlled (RC) aircraft design, build and fly competition held from Mar. 10 to 12 at Lakeland, Florida, USA.

Students who participated in the contest are Srinandana Y. Sastry, Vivek Chandrashekhar, Sathwik Jain, S. Supreeth and Sukhi Darshan.

The team competed against students from world-class Universities and secured an overall 7th position out of 11 teams that were selected for the final round. Over 50 teams had registered for the event.

The students were judged by experts and leading engineering minds, who evaluated them based on various criteria such as flying performance, payload carrying capacity, conveying the technical aspects of building RC aircraft through oral presentation, and design report preparation.

The competition required the teams to design, build and fly a remote-controlled aircraft capable of carrying maximum payload while maintaining maximum flight time.

The students expressed their gratitude to VVCE Principal Dr. B. Sadashive Gowda, Head of the Department Dr. G.V. Naveen Prakash and Vidyavardhaka Sangha for their sponsorship, unconditional support and motivation. They also extended special thanks to Faculty Advisor Dr. R. Shivashankar, who provided timely inputs, motivation and ensured smooth operation of the club. The team also thanked Student Alumni, and fellow Students of Vymanika Club for their support and encouragement.

"This achievement is a testament to the hard work, dedication, and passion of our students. Their success in this competition shows that our students have the potential to compete at the international level and make a mark in the field of engineering," said Dr. Sadashive Gowda.

Fifteen-day Virtual KSOU
Placement Drive from Apr. 15

Mysuru, Apr. 10 (SSM)- The Industry Institute Interaction Cell and Placement Cell of Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) in association with Proofile.in has organised a mega Virtual KSOU Placement Drive 2023 from Apr. 15 to 30.

The placement drive is exclusively for KSOU UG and PG students across Karnataka. There are over 2,000 job openings from over 10 companies with salary packages starting from Rs.3 lakh to Rs.6 lakh per annum. The main objective of the placement drive is to help the students across the State to find suitable jobs and also to train students on building resumes and attending virtual hiring process. The virtual event which will be held for two weeks will include three simple steps. Students can attend the interview from their houses virtually by following the three steps.

Step 1: Build Digital Resume - Students can participate in the webinar to build their digital resume and find different job opportunities.

Step 2: Document Verification and HR Round - Students can participate in virtual hiring event and complete common document verification and HR Round interviews.

Step 3: Face to Face Round - Students can participate in the face to face hiring process with companies virtually. They can download Proofile.in App from Google Playstore by logging on to *https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.proofile.in* and build resume and apply. Helpline: 95133-73737.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Rejuvenation Camp

JSS Mahavidyapeetha, in association with Sri Shivarathreeshwara Religious Endowment, will be conducting a rejuvenation camp (Jeevanotsaha Shibira) from Apr. 25 to 29 at B.R. Hills in Yelandur taluk of Chamarajanagar district. The camp features prayers, yoga, special lectures, Chintana-Manthana, desi games, cultural programmes and the like. For details and registration, contact Ph: 0821-2548212/223/224 or Mob: 99641-41560 or 97410-33336, according to a press release.

Book release

Omkar Prakashana has organised a programme at The Indian Institute of World Culture, B.P. Wadia Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru, on Apr. 15 at 10.30 am for the release of DVG's 'Mankutimmana Kagga' with verse-by-verse translation into English by Uma Ram and K.S. Ram. Writer and critic Prof. Pramod Mutalik will chair the event. Film and Literary Theorist and Swarna Kamal Awardee Prof. Manu N. Chakravarthy will speak on the book. For details, contact Mob: 98867-30639 or 94252-66298.

Appointed

Advocate V.M. Nagendra Prasad has been appointed as the Vocational Director of Sri Krishnarajendra Co-operative Bank Ltd. located at N. Madhava Rao Circle, Mysuru, during the Executive Committee meeting held on Mar. 24.

Winners of 20th Natl. Corporate Law Moot Competition

Mysuru, Apr. 10 (SPN,MTY, SSM&DM)- Institute of Law, Nirma University (CL 13) bagged the first place while Lloyd Law College, Greater Noida (CL 7) emerged as the runner-up and Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (CL 10), Punjab, got third place at the 20th National Corporate Law Moot Competition and National Judgement Writing Competition on Corporate Law organised by JSS Law College in association with Chennai-based International Attorneys Surana & Surana at JSS Law College in Kuvempunagar on Apr. 8 and 9.

High Court of Karnataka Justice B.M. Shyam Prasad distributed the prizes to the winners of the competition at the valedictory held at the College yesterday.

Speaking on the occasion, he said that in recent days Law students are getting good opportunities in various fields. "It is important for all the Law students to get trained under a senior Advocate with proper guidance. Punctuality, hard work and ability to learn new things is highly important to be a good Lawyer. Apart from all these, the Lawyers must put efforts in providing justice to their clients," he added.

WINNERS

Best Student Advocate: Anil Patel of National Law University, Jodhpur (CL15) - First (Rs. 10,000 cash prize); Himani Baid of Amity University, Chhattisgarh (CL 6) - second (Rs. 5, 000); Advaith Upadhyaya of Lloyd Law College, Greater Noida (CL 7) - third (Certificate); Dimple of Amity University, Chhattisgarh (CL 6) - fourth (Certificate).

Best Memorial: Army Institute of Law College, Mohali - first; Government Law College, Madurai - second; Government Law College, Mumbai - third; Christ Law University - fourth.

JSS Law College CEO Prof. K.S. Suresh, Principal Dr. S. Nataraju, Surana & Surana International Attorneys Chief Administrative Officer Preetam Surana, GST Mysuru Division Commissioner Y.C.S. Swamy and others were present during the valedictory.

Earlier on Saturday, High Court Judge Justice H.P. Sandesh, who inaugurated the Moot Competition, said that Legal profession is not a bed of roses. Hard work and patience is key for a Lawyer to achieve professional success.

Asserting that the Legal profession is a challenging one, Justice Sandesh said that Lawyers must be honest, dashing and hard-working.

High Court Judge Justice H.P. Sandesh inaugurating the Moot Competition on Saturday as others look on.

Stressing that oratorical skills, intelligence and other professional skills is a must for a Lawyer to excel in the Legal profession, he regretted the tendency of the people to run after money while forgetting our responsibility towards the society. Noting that Gandhiji had wanted Justice to the poor at minimal cost, Justice Sandesh said that the time has come for the Advocates to question themselves on whether they are rendering justice to the poor as envisaged by the Mahatma.

Stressing on the need for young Advocates to have an understanding of the country's history, he said that many Advocates had laid their life during the freedom struggle.

Pointing out that post-independence, several Advocates gave up their profession to frame the Indian Constitution, he said that as many as 398 Legal fraternity had worked under Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and Dr. Rajendra Prasad in the structure of the Constitution.

"Great leaders such as Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, Balagangadhar Tilak, Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, C. Rajagopalachari etc., were all Advocates by profession. They sacrificed everything for the sake of the country's independence and welfare of countrymen. India has the best Constitution in the world because of these great personalities," he said adding that it is the duty of every citizen to ensure that the services and sacrifices of the country's iconic leaders do not go waste.

WATER LEVEL

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Maximum	:	124.80	feet
Yesterday	:	94.02	feet
Inflow	:	255	cusecs
Outflow	:	1,045	cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Today	:	2,256.69	feet
Inflow	:	74	cusecs
Outflow	:	1,000	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,821.81	feet
Inflow	:	60	cusecs
Outflow	:	100	cusecs

Summer holidays: Rush at tourist spots

Mysuru, Apr. 10 (GA&SSM)- The city is witnessing a large number of tourist footfalls. Visitors are flooding Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens (Mysuru Zoo), Mysore Palace, Chamundi Hill and Brindavan Gardens at Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Reservoir following summer vacation and Government holidays.

On the Government holiday on Apr. 7 for Good Friday, Apr. 8 for Second Saturday and Apr. 9 - Sunday, tourists from across the country were seen in large numbers at all the tourist spots in and around city. The summer holidays for most of the children has begun, where in children along with their parents were seen the most at Mysuru Zoo.

The Chamundi Hill witnessed over 15,000 footfalls on Apr. 7 to seek the blessings of Goddess Chamundeshwari.

Mysuru Zoo & Karanji Lake will be kept open for visitors on Tuesday (April 11) on account of summer holidays to the educational institutions.

President of Mysuru Hotel Owners Association C. Narayanagowda said that tourists from Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and many other States have booked rooms at several hotels across the city. "Besides, foreigners have also arrived in large numbers. Following Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to city, necessary measures have been taken while providing rooms for the tourists by collecting all the details of them and also bringing to the notice of the Police Station in the vicinity, where they are on their regular beats to check on a daily basis," he added.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Mysore Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subrahmanya said that it is the Amba Vilas Palace where the highest number of tourists visit and next is Mysuru Zoo.

"In the past four days, these two places have seen the highest number of tourist footfalls. A total of 87,928 tourists visited Mysore Palace Between Apr. 1 and 8, with 19,635 tourists on Apr. 8 itself. Out of 19,635 visitors, 2,330 students, 67 foreigners and 17,238 middle-aged people enjoyed the beauty of the Palace. Likewise, 10,262 visited on Apr. 1; 12,857 on Apr. 2; 6,361 on Apr. 3; 7,425 on Apr. 4; 48 - Apr. 5; 7,582 on Apr. 6 and 15,729 on Apr. 7," he added.

Padma Awards: Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa recounts meeting PM Modi

By Prof. G.L. Shekar

With folded hands Prime Minister Narendra Modi walks a few steps extra towards Padma Bhushan awardee and respectfully says, *Namasthe Bhyrappajji...Aap kaise hain...*

"I am S.L. Bhyrappa from Karnataka, a Kannada novelist" (replies with namasthe gesture, and 'self-imposed protocol'!).

"Sir, who doesn't know you", Modi quickly responds holding Dr. Bhyrappa's hands.

The brief conversation between them goes on:

"Which book are you writing now?"

With hesitancy Dr. Bhyrappa replies, "not any new book really."

"Please don't stop writing novels Sir. Your readers across India want your books and intellects."

Dr. Bhyrappa gives a smile.

"How is your health these days?" Perhaps Prime Minister knows that Dr. Bhyrappa is a disciplined nonagenarian.

"What medicines you take? Do you go for walk regularly in the morning," he further asks!

The sweet and courteous words of Modi have overwhelmed Dr. Bhyrappa. The impeccable culture of Narendra Modi was clearly visible. There was no pomp or arrogance of a Prime Minister!

After the awards ceremony on Apr. 5, 2023, Modi was exchanging pleasantries with every Padma awardee. If you go by his gestures, he was at ease even with some persons who had accompanied the awardees. He used to pat the youngsters with a smiling face. He did not forget to greet every awardee at the Rashtrapati Bhavan Hall, where a group picture was clicked after the award ceremony.

After high tea at the Rashtrapati Bhavan, the Minister of Home Affairs and Minister for Cooperation Amit Shah hosted dinner to the awardees and their members at the impressive Nalanda Banquet Hall, Sushma Swaraj Bhawan, a few kilometres from Rashtrapati Bhavan. Even here,

Prime Minister Narendra Modi interacting with noted novelist from Mysuru Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa. Sudha Murty is also seen.

a host of Central Ministers did not lose sight of showing their culture and courtesy. Though separate area was marked for awardees, their family members were seated close-by. Interestingly, one Central or State Minister was seated with every awardees' table to interact and elicit their view about issues related to nation-building. Incidentally, 'in-charge' of Dr. Bhyrappa's table was a Congress Minister from Rajasthan government!

As the interaction was going on with awardees, Ministers including Amit Shah, Piyush Goyal and Anurag Thakur were going from table to table of the invitees and awardees' family members and greeting them. Such was the decorum shown by Modi and his Ministers. As Dr. Bhyrappa exclaimed, the treatment was outstanding and the Ministers were down to earth.

There has been a welcome change in the manner Padma Awards have been conferred by the Modi government. Although the Padma Awards were instituted long ago, it had developed a reputation that persons who were connected to the power circles in the national capital would only be awarded. For instance, journalists who hobnobbed with Ministers and even dubious middlemen were the receivers of these awards before 2014. It was more of an elitist affair!

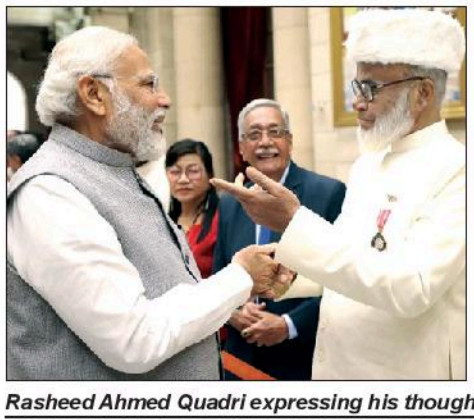
The deserving unsung heroes are being recognised now. Be it Sivananda, 125-year-old living embodiment of yoga, dhyan

Selfie of Dr. Bhyrappa's son Uday Shankar with Amit Shah.

and seva from Kashi or Amai Mahalinga Naik, tribal organic farmer from Mangaluru or Manjamma Jogati, transgender folk dancer of Jogamma heritage or Tulasi Gowda, Halakki tribal woman from Honnali village famous as encyclopaedia of forests. Gone are the days, when people of such background were not been even allowed entry into Rashtrapati Bhavan.

Bidri craft artist Rasheed Ahmed Quadri told Prime Minister Modi after getting Padma Shri on April 5, "Modiji, you have proved me wrong." He never thought that the BJP would award a Muslim.

As Modi said, "Small steps bring big changes...case in point being how we reformed the process of Padma Awards and recognised those working silently." He has often stated that keeping politics aside, awards should recognise those who contributed to the greater cause of India. The influence of his vision is evident in the fact that many political leaders from Opposition parties have been honoured with Padma awards. The nomination process is open to the public. Even self-nomination can be made.



Rasheed Ahmed Quadri expressing his thought! *Pic. right:* ***Modi interacting with family members of awardees.***

It may be recalled that President Droupadi Murmu conferred Padma awards at the Civil Investiture Ceremony in Darbar Hall of the Rashtrapati Bhavan in two rounds — first on March 22 and the second on April 5. The President had approved the conferment of 106 Padma awards, including three duo cases (in a duo case, the award is counted as one), on the eve of this year's Republic Day. Of the 106 awardees, six were Padma Vibhushan, nine were Padma Bhushan and 91 were Padma Shri. Notably, 19 of the awardees are women, including Sudha Murty.

[As told by Dr. Bhyrappa and his son Uday Shankar, who accompanied him, to the author]

"Unspeakable pride"

Author and philanthropist Sudha Murty was conferred Padma Bhushan for her social work. Her daughter, Akshata Murty, who is married to UK Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, was one of the attendees of the ceremony. Later, she took to Instagram to share her "unspeakable pride" as her mother received the award for her extraordinary journey. UK PM Rishi Sunak reacted to the same and said it was a "proud day."

Rishi Sunak

"Yesterday I watched with unspeakable pride as my mother received the Padma Bhushan award from the President of India in recognition of her contributions in social work," wrote Ms. Murty.

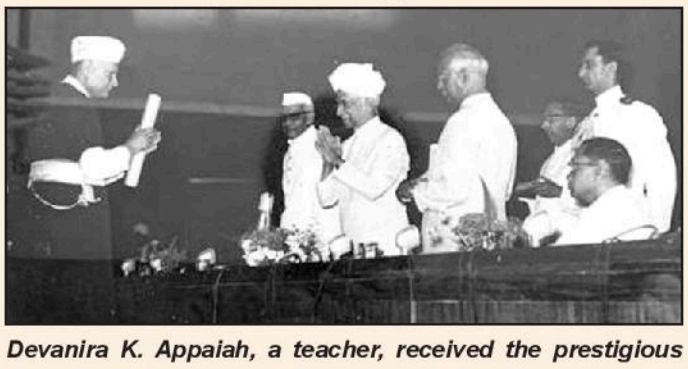
"Her example has put volunteering, learning and listening at the heart of how I hope to live in @10downingstreet," she said.

The First Lady of the United Kingdom further said that the ceremony was a "moving experience." "My mother doesn't live for recognition. The values my parents have instilled in my brother and me — hard work, humility, selflessness — mean she is always on to the next thing. But it was such a moving experience to see her have a moment of recognition yesterday," she concluded.

Reacting to the same, her husband and UK PM Rishi Sunak commented on the post, "A proud day," alongside two clapping emojis.

Sudha Murty's husband and Infosys Founder N.R. Narayana Murthy, son Rohan Murty and her sister Dr. Sunanda Kulkarni were also present at the ceremony.

Kodava pride



Devanira K. Appaiah, a teacher, received the prestigious President's Award for teaching from the then President Dr. S. Radhakrishnan in 1962. He may have been the first Kodava to wear a kupiya-chale (traditional Kodava men's attire) for the ceremony at Rashtrapati Bhavan. Appaiah is the father of Raghu and Sanju from Ammathi, Kodagu. *(Pic. courtesy: WhatsApp)*

Kodava Family Cup Hockey Festival-2023

Kuppanda team trounces 3-time champion Kulletira

Kundyolanda family to host 24th edition hockey tournament next year

Madikeri, Apr. 10 (PS&BCT) - The grand 23rd edition of Appachettolanda Kodava Hockey Festival came to a close last evening with the Kuppanda team emerging victorious. Earlier champions Kulletira team had to be satisfied with the runner's up place. The Nellamakkada team stood third and the Palanganda team came fourth.

The Kuppanda family team beat three-time champion Kulletira team by a margin of 4-2 goals in the penalty shoot-out and the Kuppanda family became the champion for the first time. The Kulletira family had won the tournaments in 1998, 1999 and 2002. The penalty shoot-out was necessitated as both Kuppanda and Kulletira teams scored one goal each during the stipulated match timings. While Kuppanda Somaiah scored the first goal for his team in the 16th minute of the game, the crowd erupted in joy. But the Kuppanda team's jubilation was short-lived as Kulletira Avinash equalised the score for his team in the 22nd minute.

The Kuppanda team scored four goals in the penalty shoot-out while the Kulletira team could score only two goals. The winning team received Rs. 3 lakh cash purse and a trophy while the runner's up team got Rs. 2 lakh cash purse and a trophy. The winners also got a rolling trophy given by the Kodava Hockey Academy.

The 24th edition of the family hockey tournament is planned in 2024 and the Kundyolanda family will play host. More than 3,000 hockey talents from the Kodava community participated in the Appachettolanda Kodava Hockey Festival that was held at General Thimayya Stadium at Napoklu from Mar. 18 to Apr. 9 and in all, 336 families took part, a record of sorts.

5,000 young voters in electoral rolls

Tahsildar B. Girish and other staff segregating voter ID cards for Postal despatch at Taluk Office in Nazarbad this morning.

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As of Apr. 9, the District Administration, including the MCC, has received 4,670 applications from first-time voters across the city and district. Scrutiny of application forms is taking place at the Election Branch of the MCC main office on Sayyaji Rao Road for city applicants and at the Taluk Office at Nazarbad for applications received from other parts of the district.

Once the scrutiny is completed after the Apr. 11 deadline, the names of all eligible first-time voters will be immediately uploaded to the electoral rolls, enabling them to exercise their franchise on May 10.

In another initiative, poll officials are distributing 12-D application forms to elderly voters aged above 80 years and the physically challenged in the district at their doorsteps. According to the latest statistics, there are 84,967 voters above 80 years.

Following the directions from the ECI, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, who is also the District Electoral Officer, has directed poll officials to visit the homes of elderly voters and issue 12-D application forms. This process has already begun, with the Booth Level Officers (BLOs) going on the job.

After verifying the age and filling up the form (12-D), the BLOs ask the elderly voters whether they are able to exercise their franchise at their respective polling booth or if they would like to opt for postal ballot.

Those who opt for postal ballots will have BLOs visit their homes again on the date of polling (May 10) and issue them ballot papers for casting their votes. The entire postal ballot process will be videographed to maintain transparency, and the sealed ballot papers will be handed back to the respective Returning Officer after the polling hours end on May 10.

COVID mock drill held

Dr. Shivaprasad, Administrative Medical Officer, led the COVID preparedness drill at Nanjangud Taluk Hospital this morning.

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"We have been directed by the Government about the need to identify emergency hotspots by monitoring trends of influenza-like illness (ILI) and severe acute respiratory infection (SARI) cases, ramping up testing and vaccination, and ensuring readiness of hospital infrastructure," DHO Dr. Prasad revealed.

Besides enhancing genome sequencing and ramping up whole genome sequencing of positive samples, the Government has emphasised creating awareness about following COVID-Appropriate Behaviour. "There is no need for panic but a general alert, precautions and safety measures like wearing good quality masks are necessary," he added.

"We are prepared to deal with the spike in infections. ICU beds, oxygen supply and other critical care arrangements are in place and there will be a periodic review of preparedness," Dr. Prasad explained.

Voter ID cards get a colourful makeover

Mysuru, Apr.10 (LNY&BCT)- You can now carry a colourful voter identity card (Electoral Photo Identity Card - EPIC) in your wallet — instead of the old, black and white cards — as all the new electors are now being issued smart plastic cards, similar to their sleek PAN card and Driving Licence.

Marking an end to the era of laminated black and white photograph voter ID, the Election Commission has now rolled out colourful and shiny hard plastic ID cards. The durable cards with a sleek makeover are now being issued at pan-India level,

including Mysuru, to voters.

The new designer cards have a unique set of features like barcode design, digital signature and spiral-shaped designs with the term EPIC embossed on them. Similar to Aadhaar, the new election card has a barcode and a unique serial number on the top left.

The new EPIC card showcases colours of the Tricolour — saffron, green, white. Even the voter's photo is coloured this time and not with black, grainy dots on it. The new card carries the name of the voter, father's name, sex, date of birth, address and the Assembly Constituency of the voter.

Similar to PAN cards, the new electoral photo identity card has digital signatures on it. On the new cards, one can find electronic signature of the Electoral Registration Officer and not blue-inked stamp of the concerned signing authority.

Training for polling officers on Apr. 22 and 23: DC

Mysuru, Apr. 10- Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. K.V. Rajendra, who is also the District Electoral Officer, has said that the first phase training for officials deputed on polling duty for the ensuing May 10 Assembly Elections will be held on Apr. 22 and 23.

Addressing a meeting of randomisation officers at his Office this morning, the DC said that training must be imparted Constituency-wise.

In all, 2,905 Presiding Officers, 2,905 Assistant Presiding Officers and 5,810 Polling Officers will have to undergo training.

All the officers deputed on poll duty must compulsorily attend the training programme, the DC said adding that strict action under Representation of the People Act, will be taken against the absentees.

Additional DC Kavitha Rajaram and National Informatics Centre (NIC) Officers were present at the meeting.

Driving PM on a safari for two hours was memorable

Safari vehicle driver D.P. Madhusudhan opens up on his nerve-racking moments

Mysuru, Apr. 10- Though the Project Tiger was launched in India in 1973 and on Nov. 16, 1973 in Bandipur, it was Narendra Modi, the first Prime Minister to visit the Bandipur Tiger Reserve. Taking the VVIP and one of the world's most powerful politicians in a safari jeep was D.P. Madhusudhan.

Sharing his experience of driving the Prime Minister inside the Tiger Reserve for more than two hours, Madhusudhan told *Star of Mysore* that when the PM boarded the jeep, he was nervous. "I was literally shaking and my hands started shivering. I have driven the safari vehicle for years and never before have I had such an experience. It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience and I was extremely nervous," he said.

D.P. Madhusudhan

The Special Protection Group (SPG) team had come to Bandipur two days before the PM's visit and had surveyed the entire area for any threats. After a thorough inspection, the clearance for a safari was given.

"In all, nine jeeps were chosen for the safari and the vehicles were thoroughly checked by various anti-sabotage teams. The PM arrived at the Old Campus of Bandipur at 7.45 am and the SPG randomly selected the jeep bearing the registration KA-10-G-0710 and I was the driver," he said.

"The Prime Minister travelled 22 kilometres inside the jungle and was immersed with the beauty of nature. Modi used cameras and binoculars and was impressed to see such a unique biodiversity. Driving inside the core area, my mind was full of thoughts to ensure the PM's comfort on the bumpy routes every moment," Madhusudhan said.

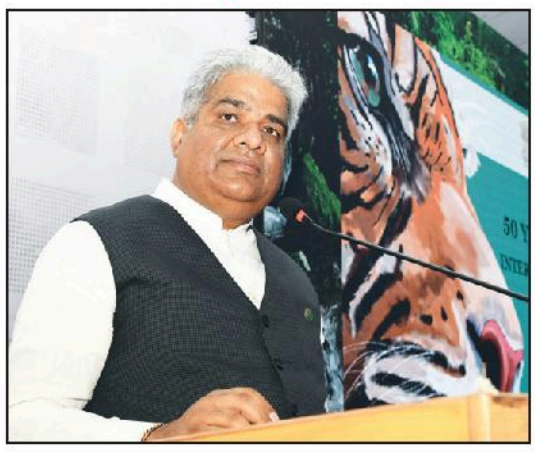
The Bandipur Tiger Reserve is located amidst the picturesque surroundings of the towering Western Ghats on the Mysuru-Ooty Highway in Karnataka and is an important part of the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve that constitutes Karnataka's Nagarahole Tiger Reserve to its Northwest, Tamil Nadu's Mudhumalai Wildlife Sanctuary to its South and Kerala's Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary to its Southwest.

Madhusudhan, a resident of Hangala hobli at Devarahalli near Bandipur said that his senior officers saw that he was nervous as the PM sat in the jeep. "The Conservator of Forests and other seniors told me in Kannada that I should drive the jeep normally and it must be a business-as-usual-trip. Even the SPG members came near me and told me to drive the vehicle in a normal way like any other day. Starting off, I was scared for a few metres and slowly it sank in that I am driving the PM. Later, things became normal for me," Madhusudhan recalled.

"I never imagined even in my wildest dreams that I would get a chance to drive the PM inside the core area of Bandipur. Driving safari-goers is my profession and the journey with the PM is not something I will forget in my lifetime. Some months back, Union Minister Bhupendra Yadav had come calling to Bandipur and I was asked to drive the safari jeep. I was thinking at that time that I was lucky to drive a Union Minister. Now I have taken the PM inside the jungle and the moments will be cherished and re-lived every day," he added.

Rs. 380 crore reserved for tiger conservation

India's 23 tiger reserves have been accredited internationally: Minister Bhupender Yadav



Mysuru, Apr. 10 (GA&BCT)- Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Bhupender Yadav said that the Centre has demonstrated its commitment to tiger conservation with a 24 percent increase in allocation to the Ministry in the 2023-24 budget.

The allocation to the Environment Ministry has been increased from Rs. 2,478 crore last year to Rs. 3,079 crore this year and it comes to an increase of over Rs. 600 crore. Of that, Rs. 380 crore has been reserved for tiger conservation.

"In 2014, Rs. 185 crore had been reserved for tiger conservation and it has gone up now to Rs. 380 crore," he added.

The Minister was speaking at a workshop on the side-lines of the event to commemorate 50 years of 'Project Tiger' yesterday at the Cauvery Hall of Karnataka State Open University (KSOU).

He said that the Government of India has demonstrated its commitment to tiger conservation by increasing the number of tiger reserves from initial nine in 1973 to the current 52 in the *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav* under the Prime Minister's leadership, the latest being Ramgarh Vishdhari in Rajasthan. Of the total 52 tiger reserves, 23 have received international accreditation.

"The Government is committed towards the well-being of the people who inhabit these tiger-bearing landscapes through creation of various livelihood opportunities and interventions," the Union Minister added.

Bhupender Yadav emphasised on promoting low impact sustainable tourism in tiger reserves with maximisation of visitor satisfaction and direct benefit sharing with locals. "Tiger symbolises power, plays a crucial role in conservation of biodiversity, forest, water and climate security. It is a matter of great pride that India is a global leader in tiger conservation and is collaborating with many countries for the cause of tiger conservation," he added.

On an average, the tiger reserves generate employment for over 50 lakh man-days annually, he added. He said that the Government is trying to bring all potential tiger habitats under the coverage of Project Tiger by declaring them as tiger reserves.

"With more than 70 percent global tiger population, India is the leader in the field of tiger conservation. I must say that there is no parallel for a species-focused project of such a grand scale in the world like Project Tiger and it has been successful in bringing tigers back from the brink of extinction. Tiger reserves have also given alternative livelihood opportunities to people in the form of eco-tourism and ancillary activities," he noted.

Obituary

Shanmugam Mani

Mysuru, Apr. 10- Shanmugam Mani (77), a Civil Engineer and a resident of Vidyanagar, passed away yesterday evening in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

Alhaj Nisar Ahmed Khan

Alhaj Nisar Ahmed Khan (80) of Al-Falah Textiles and Uniforms, Bharisthan Complex in Meena Bazar, passed away following brief illness at his residence opposite Madeena Masjid in Udayagiri yesterday evening.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons including social worker Nadeem Ahmed Khan, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held today at Masjid-e-Azam on Ashoka Road after Zohar (1.30 pm), followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

Colourful start for Chinnara Mela

Mysuru, Apr. 10 (SBD&DM)- The 25-day 'Chinnara Mela,' the children's summer camp organised by the city's theatre repertory Rangayana, got off to a colourful start yesterday.

Noted singer and Music Director Vasuki Vaibhav inaugurated the camp with the theme 'Nammee Tainela' (Our Motherland) by applying make-up on children. The Chinnara Mela this year is dedicated to theatre Music Director Srinivas Bhat (Cheeni Mama) who passed away on Jan. 25, 2023.

Later, Vasuki Vaibhav began his speech by rendering the popular Dasavani 'Indina Vaara Shubha Vaara...' Observing that Srinivas Bhat was a top theatre Music Director, he said that his (Bhat's) theatre songs are evergreen. The dedication of this Summer camp to him is a befitting tribute to the great theatre personality, he maintained.

Pointing out that the theatre plays a vital role in the growth of music, Vasuki opined that while schools taught him academics, the theatre educated him on the way of life and the value of *samskara*. Noting that he has an emotional bond with the Rangayana since his childhood days, he said that mingling with people helps a lot in increasing our self-confidence.

"In my view, Rangayana and B.V. Karanth are one and the same. The Rangayana built by B.V. Karanth is hosting Chinnara Mela and this Mela provides a perfect platform for children to exhibit their skills and talent. If the talented children have a strong base, then there is no doubt that they are going to become top artistes in the future," he said while complimenting the parents for bringing their children to Rangayana.

Rangayana Deputy Director Nirmala Mathapati, in her address, quoting Rashtrakavi Kuvempu said that children are born 'Vishwamanavas.' But as they grow, they get caught in the web of selfish ideas and become 'Alpa Manavas' (Selfish human beings). Children by birth are innocent with no inherence of any hatred or jealousy. As such, children must be brought up in such a manner that they become 'Vishwamanavas' as aspired by Kuvempu, she said adding that parents have the responsibility of making their children learn the values of life.

Continuing, she said that Rangayana has been organising 'Chinnara Mela' since 1997 and iconic Littérateur Shivaram Karanth was one among the chief guests at the inaugural Mela. In the past 26 years, the Mela is becoming more and more popular with the passing of years, she said while thanking the Rangayana Director, Technicians , Artistes and all others who have been at the centre-stage of the success of the Mela all these years.

The Mela Director Krishnakumar Narnakaje spoke about the late Theatre Music Director Srinivas Bhat, to whom this year's Chinnara Mela is dedicated.

Vasuki Vaibhav rejoiced with children by joining the children in chorus singing. He also regaled the children by singing the song 'Mysuru Rajyada Doreye Ranadheera Nayakane...' and other popular songs.

Nine-year-old G. Pranati of Mysuru, who is considered as the youngest Wushu Champion of India, was the centre of attraction at the inauguration. Her Wushu performance enthralled the huge audience.

Senior actor Shivajirao Jadhav presided. Kannada and Culture Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy and others were present.

Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa stayed away because of the Model Code of Conduct.

The Chinnara Mela, which has been organised after a gap of three years due to COVID pandemic, will conclude on May 5. More than 300 children are taking part in this 25-day event which promises to explore the inherent talent among children.

Noted singer and Music Director Vasuki Vaibhav applying make-up on a child to mark the inauguration of the 25-day 'Chinnara Mela,' the children's summer camp organised by the Rangayana, Mysuru. Picture right shows (from left) Kannada and Culture Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, Rangayana Deputy Director Nirmala Mathapati, singer Vasuki Vaibhav, senior actor Shivajirao Jadhav and youngest Wushu Champion G. Pranathi offering floral tribute to a portrait of late theatre Music Director Srinivas Bhat (Cheeni Mama) to whom this year's Chinnara Mela is dedicated.

Ramothsava Sangeethotsava: Day 10

Adhering to classical values

By Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan

On the tenth and last day of the Ramothsava music series on Apr. 8, **Vid. Ramakrishnan Murthy** from Chennai performed with **Vid. H.N. Bhaskar** on violin and **Vid. Guruprasanna** on kanjira.

Deeply rooted in classical vocabulary, Ramakrishnan's concert, right from the opening 'Chalamela jese' varna in Shankarabharana set to atta tala in two speeds and 'Rama Ika Nannu Brova raada Dayaleda' in shahana (Patnam Subramanya Iyer) with kalpana swaras were absorbing. Endowed with a pliable voice, his flaunting of vocal opulence in Latangi ('Aparadhamulanu') and Kapi for the kriti 'Inta Soukhyamani ne' with niraval and kalpanaswaras infused resonance in the presentations.

Ramakrishnan surprised the listeners with the javali 'Matadabaradeno' (Narahari Dasa) in the middle of the concert, which was a bit disappointing as what was expected was a kriti like 'Seetapate' after the alapane of Kamas (Javalis are usually sung as the end pieces in a concert). Niraval at 'Swara Raga Laya Sudha rasa' for 'Inta Soukhyamani' was unforgettable for its lyrical fervour. The swarakalpana he presented was unique in its structure. The other attraction of the evening was the RTP in Mohanakalyani. The artiste explored the various possibilities of the raga in his unusual and extraordinary alapane and tanam. Ramkrishnan's masculine voice traversed through the three octaves creating grandeur. The sahitya of the pallavi was 'Dasharatha Bala Ramachandrayya Mam Pahi', set to Trishra TriputaTala. The niraval and swaras sung in ragamalike in Thodi, Natakuranji and Darbari Kanada was highly impressive with the artiste moving easily from one raga to another, also presenting the pallavi in different kalas. Seasoned mridangist Delhi Sairam elevated the concert to notable heights throughout and also in taniyavartanam with Guruprasanna's kanjira.

Violin accompaniment necessitates tempering one's own urges, concentrating on the other artistes and going with their flow, not one's own. Bhaskar is one such accompanist who understands this role superlatively and rises to the occasion. Bhaskar's playing was not only supportive but enhanced and embellished the main artiste.

The concluding part of the concert included 'Sapashya Kausalya Sapashya' in Jonpuri and a shloka on Lord Rama 'Vaidehi sahitam Suradrumatale' in ragamalike leading onto the Tamil Composition 'Ramanai Taruvai Jagadrakshaka' and the tillana 'nrnrgmgrs' in Purvi.

The Ramothsava series concluded with this concert. Each of the concerts had something new to offer, new ideas in presenting Raga Tana Pallavi, all of which is most beneficial to the students of music. Dr. Sriram and his team must be lauded for their sincere and hard efforts in the more-than-ten-day event.

Vid. Ramakrishnan Murthy from Chennai presenting a vocal concert at 'Sangeethotsava - 2023,' a series of concerts organised as part of 133rd anniversary of Sri Ramothsava celebrations by Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust at Alamma's Choultry in Srirampet on Apr. 8. He is accompanied by Vid. H.N. Bhaskar on violin and Vid. Guruprasanna on kanjira.

Tribal-friendly leader for forest-dominated H.D. Kote

Know Your Constituency

By Mohan Kayaka

Mysuru, Apr. 10- The H.D. Kote Constituency, which has the largest forested area among all 11 Assembly segments in the Mysuru district, is expected to witness a keen triangular contest between Congress, BJP and JD(S) in the upcoming election.

The Constituency is presently reserved for the ST category and is considered one of the most underdeveloped taluks in the State. SC and ST communities make up the majority of the population in the area, which is extensively dotted with tribal hamlets and vast stretches of forest land.

The Constituency was first formed in 1962 as an SC-reserved seat. Since then, the Congress candidate has won 6 times and the JD(S) has won three times, while the BJP is yet to win a seat in the Constituency.

Before 1962, the H.D. Kote taluk was part of a twin-member Constituency along with Gundlupet taluk in the 1952 polls, and part of Hunsur in the subsequent poll held in 1957. However, it became an independent SC reserved Constituency in 1962 when R. Peeranna, contesting on a Swatantra Party ticket, won the seat.

Peeranna repeated his feat in the 1967 and 1972 polls, thus achieving a hat-trick of wins. Later, Susheela Cheluvaraj, who contested on an Indira Congress ticket, won in 1978, followed by H.B. Cheluvaiah of the Janata Party in 1983, M. Shivanna of the Congress in 1985, M.P. Venkatesh of SJP in 1989, N. Nagaraj of the Janata Dal in 1994, M. Shivanna of the Congress in 1999 and M.P. Venkatesh of the JD(S) in 2004.

The reservation category for the H.D. Kote Constituency was changed from the 2008 polls when it was declared an ST reserved Constituency. Chikkanna of the Congress won in 2008, while S. Chikkamadu, who contested on a JD(S) ticket, won in 2013 and his son Anil Chikkamadu won on a Congress ticket in the 2018 polls.

It is interesting to note that, except for R. Peeranna of the Congress, who registered a hat-trick of wins in 1962, 1967 and 1972, no other candidate has been successful in registering even two straight wins as voters have been alternating between the Congress and JD(S) each time. S. Chikkamadu of the JD(S) died in November 2017, following which his son Anil Chikkamadu contested on a Congress ticket in the 2018 Assembly polls and emerged victorious.

In the 2018 Assembly polls, Congress candidate Anil Chikkamadu won the election riding on the sympathy wave following the demise of his father S.Chikkamadu. The JD(S) candidate Chikkanna was the nearest rival, while the BJP candidate Siddaraju came third.

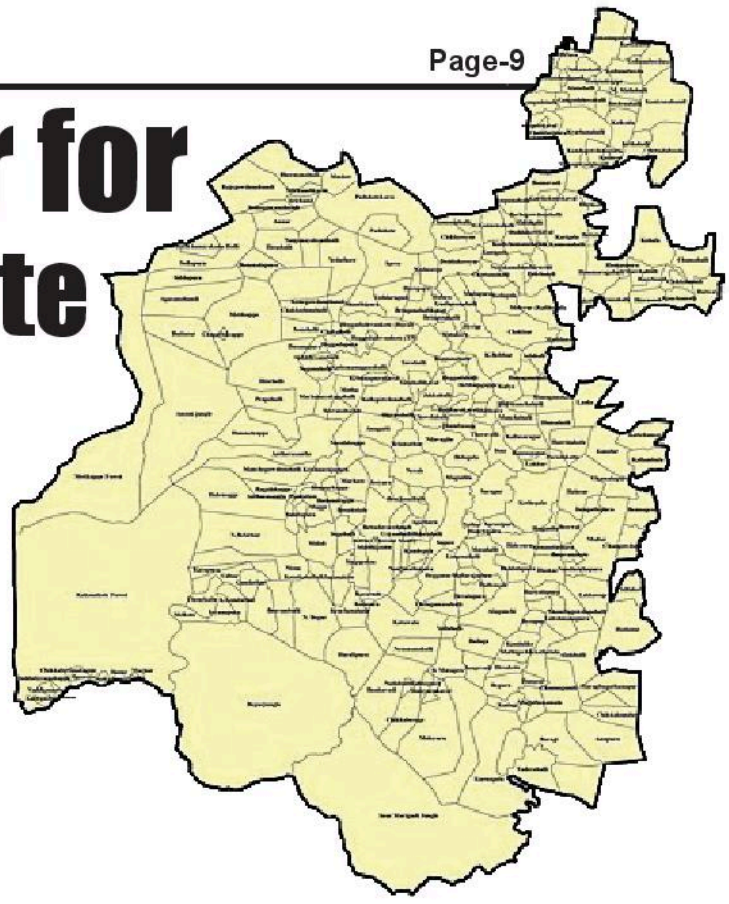
It is noteworthy that the Congress party was able to secure a victory in the Constituency despite facing a tough fight from the JD(S) and BJP candidates. The sympathy wave in favour of Anil Chikkamadu, following his father's demise, seems to have played a crucial role in his victory.

The Congress party had announced candidature of their young sitting MLA Anil Chikkamadu, who is in his thirties, well in advance of the 2018 Assembly polls. However, the JD(S) and the ruling BJP were yet to announce the names of their candidates.

Jayaprakash was a strong aspirant for the JD(S) ticket, while former MLC Siddaraju, who lost the previous polls and Appanna were in the race for the BJP ticket. Krishna Nayaka, who recently quit the JD(S) and joined the BJP, was the latest entrant in the race to secure the BJP ticket from H.D. Kote, a Constituency that the BJP has never won before.

THEY WERE MLAs FROM 1962 TO 2018

Year	WINNER	Party	Secured votes
1962	R. Peeranna	Swathantra Party	14,788
1967	R. Peeranna	Congress	18,818
1972	R. Peeranna	Samstha Congress	21,859
1978	Susheela Cheluvaraj	Indira Congress	27,821
1983	H.B. Cheluvaiah	Janata Party	33,840
1985	M. Shivanna	Congress	26,286
1989	M.P. Venkatesh	SJP	29,676
1994	N. Nagaraju	Janata Dal	41,208
1999	M. Shivanna	Congress	45,136
2004	M.P. Venkatesh	JD(S)	50,729
AFTER DECLARATION AS ST RESERVED CONSTITUENCY			
2008	Chikkanna	Congress	43,222
2013	S. Chikkamadu	JD(S)	48,606
2018	Anil Chikkamadu	Congress	76,652



VOTER DATA

H.D. Kote Constituency has 2,24,104 voters, including 1,12,464 male voters, 1,11,629 female voters and 11 other category voters. There are 3,438 physically challenged voters and 6,484 voters above 80 years of age. The Constituency is dominated by the Tribal community and is a Scheduled Tribe reserved Constituency. The Constituency is known for its high voter turnout in every poll. In 2018, the segment recorded 79.11 voting percent. Of the 2,14,824 voters, 1,69,941 had exercised their franchise.

Officials review facilities in Chamundeshwari Assembly Constituency Polling Booths

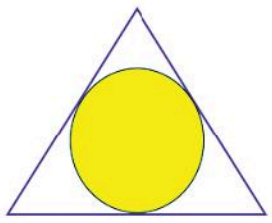
Mysuru, Apr. 10- With the Assembly polls just a month away, Assistant Commissioner Kamala Bai, who is also the Chamundeshwari Constituency Electoral Officer, held a review meeting on the facilities available at polling booths of the Constituency, at the Taluk office here recently.

Addressing the officials, Kamala Bai said that there are 337 Booths in Chamundeshwari Constituency, out of which 64 come under the MCC. Pointing out that the rest of 273 Constituencies come under the limits of Hootagalli CMC, Bogadi, Kadakola, Rammanahalli and Srirampura Town Panchayats and Gram Panchayats, she said that officials must ensure that there are drinking water facility, well-maintained toilets, a ramp facility, a sound roof, proper power points and connections and other necessary amenities in each Polling Booth. She also directed the officials to take necessary measures in case there are any shortcomings in the Polling Booths.

Taluk Panchayat (TP) Executive Officer (EO) Girish, Officials of Hootagalli CMC and the four town Panchayats, Gram Panchayat (GP) PDOs and other personnel took part.

WORD OF THE DAY

Circumscribe



Pronunciation: SER-kum-skrybe.
Meaning: To limit the size or amount of something, or, in other words, "to constrict the range or activity of."
Origin: To circumscribe something is to limit its size, activity, or range, but the range of influence of the Latin ancestors of circumscribe knows no bounds. Circumscribe comes via Middle English from the Latin verb circumscribere (which roughly translates as "to draw a circle around"), which in turn comes from circum-, meaning "circle," and scribere, meaning "to write or draw." Among the many descendants of circum- are circuit, circumference, circumnavigate, circumspect, circumstance, and circumvent. Scribere gave us such words as scribe and scribble, as well as ascribe, describe, and transcribe, among others.
Example: "[Jane] Addams didn't put much stock in being ideologically pure. In the best pragmatist tradition, she did right thing according to the circumstance and the evidence and worked with people of all identities and ideologies to get there. That included people with views very different from her own. Addams wrote: 'We know instinctively that if we grow contemptuous of our fellows and consciously limit our intercourse to certain kinds of people whom we have previously decided to respect, we not only circumscribe our range of life, but limit scope of our ethics.'"— Eboo Patel

THE ODD WORD

Calamist

Piper; one who plays using a reed.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Can't hold a candle to

Meaning: The expression 'Can't hold a candle to' refers to someone who compares badly to an known authority - to be unfit even to hold a subordinate position.
Origin: Apprentices used to be expected to hold the candle so that more experienced workmen were able to see what they were doing. Someone unable even to do that would be of low status indeed.
Sir Edward Dering used a similar phrase 'to hold the candle' in his The fower cardinal-vertues of a Carmelite fryar, 1641: "Though I be not worthy to hold the candle to Aristotle."
'To hold a candle' is first recorded in 1883 in William Norris's No New Thing: "Edith is pretty, very pretty; but she can't hold a candle to Nellie."

QUOTE BOX

Look at how a single candle can both defy and define the darkness.

— Anne Frank

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Heart to heart.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Pamela's petname
4 Birds that hoot?
8 Surreptitious call for another's attention
12 Small guitar
13 Ex-Chilean tennis star Marcelo ___
14 Female friend from France?
15 Unmarried man
17 Large edible sea fish, often canned
18 Boos or jeers?
19 Divine messenger
20 Blind as _ __? (1,3)
22 Brownish colour
24 Paths or narrow streets
26 Let the head fall forward through drowsiness
27 Tech. Std. Order
30 1862 battle
32 Portray
34 Over the counter, acronym
35 English marsh
37 Hollywood's __ Jessica Parker
38 Used to the limit
40 "Er, no" changes required for divorce city?
41 Pathogenic agent
44 One ___ : twelve dozens?
46 Figure of worship
47 In the shape of a tapeworm - "to die in a" change?
50 Airline to Tel Aviv (2,2)
51 And others, in Latin (2,2)
52 1002 in Roman numerals
53 Used to be
54 Eagle's nest
55 Electronic Instrument Sys.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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DOWN

1 A familiar hostelry
2 Rap sheet letters
3 Grease monkey
4 Famous cookie
5 Tends to droop
6 Slacken
7 Ukraine letters, once
8 Bihar's capital
9 Complacent
10 A trigonometric function
11 A type of duck - "late" anagram?
16 House for travellers
19 Assistants or helpers
20 As well as
21 Thailand money
23 Seed vessel
25 Settees
27 Tedious
28 Examine
29 Roman emperor - "hoot" anagram?
31 Jinx or curse
33 Indian Zoroastrian
36 Nullify
38 Fine silk material
39 Dismal, gloomy
41 Range of vision
42 Inactive
43 Animal noise
45 Solely
47 Afternoon refreshment
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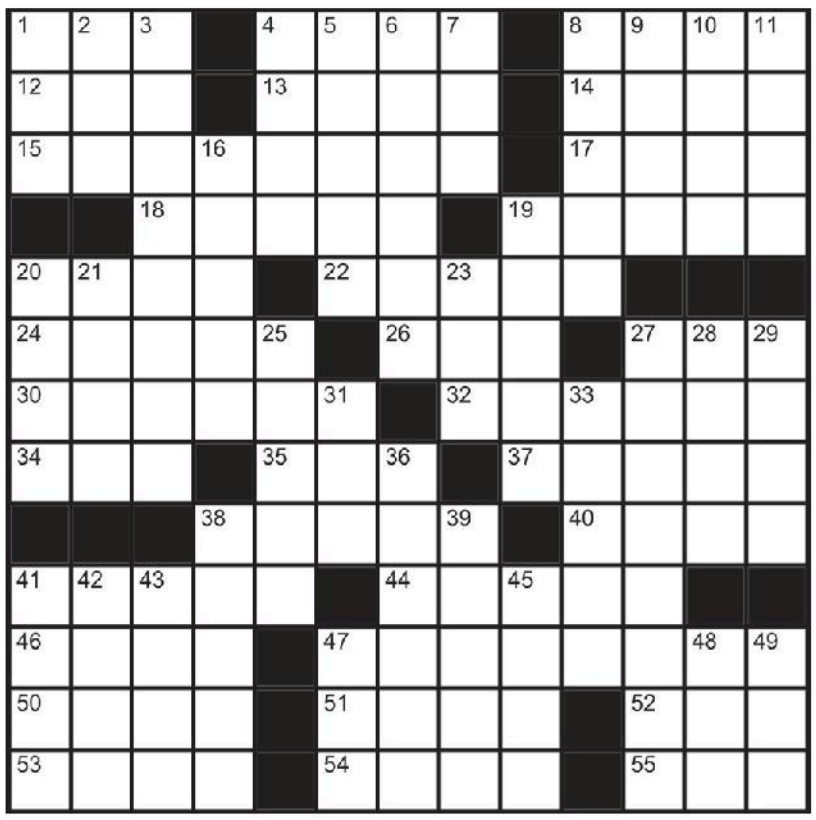
49 Prefix with "cover" & "please"



SUDOKU

	1		3			2		
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			7		8			9
8	2		5			9		
	6						7	8
		1			7		4	

Answer to previous puzzle

2	3	4	7	6	9	1	8	5
8	9	7	1	4	5	3	2	6
6	1	5	3	2	8	4	7	9
9	8	1	2	3	7	6	5	4
3	5	6	8	1	4	7	9	2
7	4	2	9	5	6	8	1	3
1	2	8	4	9	3	5	6	7
4	6	9	5	7	1	2	3	8
5	7	3	6	8	2	9	4	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

QV VLQTLR QV HTBHU KV, HUR VBYYEW UQV

QEMQWV ARRC KC RILRVV NS HUR JROQCJ.

TODAY'S CLUE: H EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: There are sadistic scientists who hurry to hunt down errors instead of establishing the truth.

MOVIE LOVERS

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  August 16 1947 (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — Mob: 99008-20093
  Ravanasura (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — Ph: 2422871
  Gurudev Hoysala (K) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — Ph: 2452958
  Veeram (K) - 4 Shows
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  Day and Someone (Te) - 4 Shows

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Praveena (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	(S-1)	1.05 pm
	(S-4)	10.50 am, 7.40 pm, 10.15 pm
Dasara (Te)	(S-1)	3.45 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	(S-1)	6.55 pm, 9.45 pm
Super Mario Bros Movie (E)	(S-2)	11 am, 1.05 pm, 3.10 pm
The Pope's Exorcist (E)	(S-2)	5.10 pm, 7.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Ramachari 2.0 (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am
August 16 1947 (Ta)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Pentagon (K)	(S-3)	4.20 pm
Gumraah (H)	(S-3)	7.30 pm, 10.10 pm
Veeram (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 4.35 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Veeram (K)	:	10.20 am, 1.35 pm, 7.30 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	:	10.30 am, 4.00 pm, 6.40 pm
Praveena (K)	:	10.30 am
Ravanasura (Te)	:	10.45 am, 4.30 pm, 9.15 pm
Pentagon (K)	:	1.05 pm, 4.30 pm
Viduthalai Part - 1 (Ta)	:	1.10 pm, 9.15 pm
Ramachari 2.0 (K)	:	4.00 pm
August 16, 1947 (Ta)	:	6.30 pm
Laika (Ma)	:	9.15 pm

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Dasara (Te)	:	9.35 am, 4.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	:	10.15 am, 4.20 pm, 9.30 pm
Praveena (K)	:	11.00 am
Super Mario Bros. Movie (E-3D)	:	11.05 am, 1.20 pm, 3.35 pm 5.50 pm, 8.05 pm
John Wick: Chapter 4 (E)	:	12.50 pm, 10.20 pm
Meter (Te)	:	12.55 pm, 6.40 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	:	1.05 pm, 7.25 pm, 10.15 pm
The Pope's Exorcist (E)	:	1.50 pm, 7.35 pm
Ramachari 2.0 (K)	:	3.45 pm
Veeram (K)	:	4.15 pm, 10.00 pm
Viduthalai Part - 1 (Ta)	:	7.10 pm
Nam Naani Maduve Prasanga (K)	:	7.20 pm

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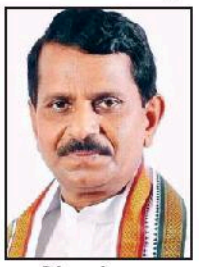
Praveena (K)	:	10.00 am
Super Mario Bros. Movie (E-3D)	:	10.05 am, 12.30 pm, 2.45 pm 5.00 pm, 7.15 pm
The Pope's Exorcist (E)	:	10.40 am, 9.30 pm
Veeram (K)	:	11.00 am, 5.55 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	:	12.55 pm, 3.55 pm 7.10 pm, 10.10 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	:	1.05 pm, 7.00 pm, 10:00 pm
Pentagon (K)	:	2.20 pm
Dasara (Te)	:	3.55 pm, 9.50 pm

Former MP B.N.Chandrappa appointed KPCC Working President

Bengaluru, Apr. 10- A month after one of the five KPCC Working Presidents R. Dhruvanarayan passed away (Mar. 11), the Congress High Command yesterday appointed former Chitradurga Congress MP B.N. Chandrappa as the new KPCC Working President in the place of late former Chamarajanagar MP R. Dhruvanarayan.

AICC General Secretary K.C. Venugopal on Sunday issued an order to this effect following the directions of AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge. The four other KPCC Working Presidents, who were appointed over the past two years, are Eshwar Khandre, Satish Jarkiholi, Saleem Ahmed and Ramalinga Reddy.


Chandrappa

Chandrappa, a leader of Left-hand Dalit community (Maadiga), had represented Chitradurga Lok Sabha Constituency from 2014 to 2019. He had also headed LIDKAR, a State-Government-run Leather Industries Corporation.

Chandrappa had sought the Congress ticket from Pavagada (SC) Constituency for the May 10 Assembly polls. But the Congress gave the party ticket to the son of sitting MLA Venkataramanappa, following which AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge had held talks with Chandrappa. Now, he has been appointed as a KPCC Working President a month ahead of the Assembly polls in place of late R. Dhruvanarayan who belonged to SC (Right hand) community.

EVENTS TODAY (APRIL 10)

- **Sri Sharada Pratishtana Trust, Mysuru:** Ramanavami celebrations, Devaranama by Vidu. Komala, **5 pm;** Karnatak Classical Music concert by Prerana, **6 pm;** Karnatak Classical Music Concert by Vidu. Mahati Raghuram, accompanists are Vidu. Shruthi on violin and Vid. S. Kumaraswamy on mridanga, Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar 16th Cross, **7 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust:** 133rd anniversary of Sri Ramothsava celebrations, 'Sangeethotsava - 2023,' Classical Music by Vidu. Anjana P. Rao, Alamma's Choultry, near Moole Rama Mandira, Srirampet, **6.30 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Sri Rama Seva Mandali:** 70th Ramotsava, Shayanotsava Alankara for Lord Sri Rama, 'Srirama Margam' by Durga Nritya Academy, Mysuru, Sri Avani Shankara Mutt, 4th Main Road, 9th Cross Road, Vidyaranyapuram, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APRIL 11)

- **Cosmology Education and Research Training Centre (COSMOS), Mysuru and Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS), Manasagangothri:** 'Astronomy: Today-Tomorrow,' Dr. B.S. Shylaja, retired Director and Guest Scientist, Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium, Bengaluru, delivers talk, B.M. Sri auditorium, KIKS premises, Manasagangothri, **11.30 am.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust:** 133rd anniversary of Sri Ramothsava celebrations, 'Sangeethotsava - 2023,' Hanumanthotsava, procession in Raja Beedi, Nadaswara Vidwan Parthasarathy and team, **6.30 pm;** Mahamangalarathi and Prasada Viniyoga, Alamma's Choultry, near Moole Rama Mandira, Srirampet, **8 pm.**

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

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Gurudev Hoysala (K)	(S-1)	1.35 pm, 7.15 pm
	(S-4)	10.15 am, 10.30 pm
Veeram (K)	(S-2)	2.00 pm, 10.20 pm
	(S-3)	3.10 pm
John Wick: Chapter 4 (E)	(S-2)	10.35 am; (S-3) 6.25 pm
Super Mario Bros. Movie (E-3D)	(S-4)	1 pm, 6.10 pm, 8.20 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	(S-1)	10.40 am, 4.20 pm, 10 pm
Gumraah (H)	(S-3)	10.05 am, 9.50 pm
	(S-2)	5.15 pm
The Popes Exorcist (E)	(S-2)	8 pm; (S-3) 12.50 pm
August 16, 1947 (Ta)	(S-4)	3.10 pm

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Gurudev Hoysala (K)	(S-1)	10.20 am; (S-4) 1.45 pm
	(S-3)	4.20 pm, 9.50 pm
The Popes Exorcist (E)	(S-2)	10.25 am
	(S-4)	4.30 pm, 10.20 pm
Dasara (Te)	(S-2)	10.00 pm
Veeram (K)	(S-3)	10.10 am
	(S-1)	1.05 pm, 7.15 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
	(S-1)	4.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Super Mario bros. Movie (E-3D)	(S-2)	12.45 pm, 5.40 pm, 7.50 pm
Ramachari 2.0 (K)	(S-2)	2.55 pm
Pentagon (K)	(S-4)	6.50 pm
Nam Naani Maduve Prasanga (K)	(S-3)	7.05 pm
Praveena (K)	(S-4)	11.10 am

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

IPL 2023

TODAY'S MATCH (APRIL 10)

RCB Vs LSG — 7.30 pm
M. Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru

TOMORROW'S MATCH (APRIL 11)

DC Vs MI — 7.30 pm
Arun Jaitley Cricket Stadium, Delhi

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

KKR - 207 / 7 (20)
BEAT
GT - 204 / 4 (20)

SRH - 145 / 2 (17.1)
BEAT
PBKS - 143 / 9 (20)

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- **Walk in interview on 11th April 2023 (10:00 am to 2:00 pm)**

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